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Sir:

Responsive to the May 28, 2002 Office Action, having an August 28, 2002 due date, reconsideration is respectfully requested based on the following amendments and remarks.

A Petition for a one-month extension of time until September 28, 2002 (Saturday) and a \$110 large entity fee are included herewith.

I. AMENDMENTS

A. In the Written Description (37 C.F.R. §1.121(b))

Please AMEND the Written Description as follows:

On page 4, the second full paragraph, please amend as follows:

B, Another object of the present invention is to provide a pointing device having a magneto-electro transducer, in which the magnetic leakage through an operating part is decreased even when the height of the pointing device is reduced.

On page 4, third full paragraph, please amend as follows:

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B2 A further object of the present invention is to provide a pointing device capable of being detachably mounted on a data processor, which can easily perform an electrical connection and mechanical attachment to the data processor and can ensure good portability and a good operational environmental condition of the data processor.

On page 15, first full paragraph, please amend as follows:

B3 It should be appreciated that the plate spring 74 of the pointing device 10 may have various shapes and dimensions other than the above described configuration. As shown in Fig. 6, for example, the adaptable plate spring 74 may include second sections 78', each of which extends in a generally U-shape from the proximal end thereof joined to the first section 76. In this arrangement, each second section 78' is engaged at the distal free end 79 thereof with the flange portion 62 of the holder 48. This modification makes it possible to easily increase the whole length of the second section 78' for exerting a spring action, and thus to obtain a larger spring force.

On page 21, first full paragraph, please amend as follows:

B4 When the pointing device 100 is mounted on the data processor 140, it is also preferred that the connector part 106 is connected to the interface part 148 in a position suitably rotated in the receptacle 128 as shown Fig. 11A, so as to eliminate the interference between the housings 118, 120 of the pointing device 100 and the support section 150 on the housing body 142, which may be caused by the location of the interface part 148 on the housing body 142. Then, the support section 150 is shifted to the projecting position, and the housings 118, 120 are rotated relative to the connector part 106 so as to receive the support section 150 in the engaging section 138. In this manner, the mounting work of the pointing device 100 is completed (Fig. 12).

Also, attached is a "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made", comprising a marked-up version of the written description. 37 C.F.R. §1.121(b)(1).

B. In the Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(1)(i))

Please CANCEL claims 2-4 and 12-14 without prejudice or disclaimer.